

Dear IFSA Family,

Was it not always your dream to show the world your beautiful country and nature? ***Why not become host for the IFSS- International Forestry Students' Symposium 2021!***



This is an Open Call for all IFSA members (LCs) to consider this opportunity. You could share with foresters from all over the world the beauties of forestry in your area — your traditions, knowledge, landscapes, and more!

The **International Forestry Students' Symposium** (IFSS) is the biggest annual IFSA event. Each year, this two-week event is attended by over a hundred students from all over the world. The symposium provides an opportunity for students to exchange knowledge and share interests while participating in a range of forestry activities. During the Symposium, the IFSA General Assembly (GA) takes place, where different proposals collected through diverse commission and working groups are discussed, and the elections of IFSA positions for the next year are held.

Throughout the Symposium, students travel to different regions of the host country. By doing this, students can obtain a global perspective of all the uses, traditions, development and culture of the visited places. IFSS serves as a tool to introduce students to a wide range of research centres and forestry companies. Students can also participate in workshops to develop personal and professional skills, and in multicultural meetings where all the participants can share the state of the forestry industry in their respective countries framed by different regional traditions.

It is possible for Local Committees (LC) to work together in this, as long as the distances are not too long to keep this realistic.

Those who are interested in hosting the event have until **Wednesday 31st of July 2019 23:59 GMT+3 (Estonia Summer Time)** to send in an overview (in whichever form you prefer- video, PowerPoint, etc.) with:

- tentative itinerary and programme
- how many students could attend
- rough budget plan
- possible dates.

The proposals will be presented in the 30th General Assembly in the International Forestry Students' Symposium's 3rd Plenary Session in Estonia, so if you will be unable to attend, please send in your presentation before the indicated deadline and ideally brief a participant or board member how to best present in your stead. **If you are attending** IFSS 2019, you will be given the chance to nominate your LC until the 3rd Plenary Session (however you will still need to prepare a presentation with the information listed above).

Please send in your proposals to: lisa.prior@ifsa.net

If you have any questions/ comments, please get in touch with me and I will be happy to help.

On behalf of the IFSA 7,

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